IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

MOHAMED AL-SIDDIQI,)
Petitioner,)
vs.) CIVIL NO. 07-188-DRF
JOHN LAMER and DEBORAH ACHIM,)
Respondents.)

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

HERNDON, District Judge:

Petitioner filed this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241, challenging his continued civil immigration detention in the Tri-County Detention Center in Ullin, Illinois.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent shall, within twenty-three (23) days of receipt of this application for Writ of Habeas Corpus, answer and show cause why the writ should not issue. Service upon the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, 750 Missouri Avenue, East St. Louis, Illinois, shall constitute sufficient service.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to Local Rule 72.1(a)(2), this cause is referred to a United States Magistrate Judge for further pre-trial proceedings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this entire matter be referred to a United States Magistrate Judge for disposition, as contemplated by Local Rule 72.2(b)(2) and 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), *should all the parties consent to such a referral*.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: March 23, 2007

/s/ David RHerndon
DISTRICT JUDGE